

State of California
Business, Transportation and Housing Agency
Department of Transportation

PROJECT BUSINESS MATTERS
Extension Request – Contract Award
Action Item

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WAIVER REQUEST – CTC RESOLUTION G-01-21

CTC STIP GUIDELINES

SECTION 65 – TIMELY USE OF FUNDS

LOCAL STREETS AND ROADS PROJECTS

WAIVER-01-50

ISSUE

Resolution G-01-21, *STIP Guidelines*, adopted by the California Transportation Commission (Commission) on July 12, 2001, stipulates that funds allocated for the construction phase of local grant projects are available for contract award for a period of 12 months from the date of allocation.

The Commission allocated \$5,021,000 in Fiscal Year 1999-2000 fiscal year for the two projects listed on the attached table. To date, the implementing agencies have been unable to award the contracts against the allocations. The implementing agencies are requesting extensions per Resolution G-01-21. The regional transportation planning agencies concur. The attachment shows the details of the projects and the delays that resulted in the extension requests.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Transportation's recommendations are shown on the attachment.

Attachment

Time Extension/Waiver – Award Deadline
Item 2.8b. – Local Streets and Roads Projects

Project #	Applicant County	Allocation Amount (in thousands)	Number of Months Requested
		Allocation Date	Extended Deadline
	PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay:	Original Deadline	CT Recommendation
1	Contra Costa County	\$96	12
	City of Richmond	11/2/2000	11/2/02
	PPNO: 2161 Development of the Nevin Avenue Walkway/Plaza Project	11/2/2001	support – with NEPA approval and right of way certification complete, this project is ready to advertise and award
	The City of Richmond has experienced delays in completing NEPA clearance and right of way certification due to coordination of the various project elements. As the Richmond Redevelopment Agency proceeded with delivery of the project, it was determined it would be of a greater benefit to include the Nevin Walkway component within the entire Richmond Transit Village review process. Additional review time and design modification work necessary to coordinate with other segments of the project were not accounted for in the original schedules and affected the bid and construction timeline for this segment. Approval processes are complete for all the components. NEPA approval and the right of way certification are now complete. The agency requests a 12 month extension to complete the bid process, award the contract, and initiate construction.		
2	Lassen County	\$4,845	8
	County of Lassen	12/6/00	8/6/02
	PPNO: 2049 Susanville Road A-2 and Bieber Lookout Road	12/6/01	support – 10 months to ensure right of way certification is complete with adequate time to advertise and award
	This project experienced delays in the right of way process. The construction allocation was processed under the assumption that a “No Additional Right of Way Certification” was the appropriate certification. Unfortunately, after questions from landowners and further investigation, it was determined that additional right of way needed to be acquired since work would be outside areas that could reasonably be claimed under prescriptive rights. This determination was concurred upon by County Counsel once he became aware of the issues. This change in process did not occur until June 2001, approximately six months after construction was allocated. Because of the importance of this project, Lassen County has proceeded, with its own funding, to acquire the additional right of way necessary to construct the project as designed. The County estimates the revised right of way certification date as June 2002. The 8-month extension will allow the County complete the right of way and proceed with advertisement and award for the construction phase.		